ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In document retrieval having the relevance feedback function to modify a searching profile for retrieval on the basis of a user's evaluation to evaluate a search result as pertinent or impertinent, recommencement of the relevance feedback returned to a desired time is permitted. An evaluation inputted by a user, a searching profile modified by the evaluation and a search result based on the searching profile are all saved while making the correspondence between them. When a request for restoration of searching profile is made, a searching profile corresponding to an evaluation designated by the user is restored.